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SUBJECT: TRAINING PROGRAM FOR FOREIGN SERVICE ECONOMIC/
COMMERCIAL LOCALS

REFERENCE: STATE 066617

1. THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE AND COMMERCE EXTEND THEIR
CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE BEEN
SELECTED FOR THE 1975 ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL LOCALS TRAINING
PROGRAM: HIROMI USHIJIMA, CHIA WAI PENG, EUGENE HUANG, YAP
KIM SWEE, SOMSAK CHINVANTHANANOND, MAGGIE M.K. ROCHA, CLEO
A. LEDONIO, AHMAD S. HASYIM, AKA BOES.

2. THE FORMAL PROGRAM WILL BEGIN ON JUNE 23, 1975 AND
FINISH ON APPROXIMATELY JULY 29, 1975. EMPLOYEES SHOULD
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MAKE ARRANGEMENTS TO ARRIVE IN WASHINGTON,D.C. ON JUNE 21,
1975. EMPLOYEES WILL NOT BE MET AT THE AIRPORT.

3. FIRST FIVE DAYS WILL BE IN WASHINGTON THEN PARTICIPANTS

WILL TRAVEL (SEPARATELY) THROUGHOUT U.S. ON SCHEDULES
ARRANGED BY COMMERCE DEPARTMENT FOLLOWED BY BRIEF RETURN TO
WASHINGTON, D.C. FOR DEBRIEFING SESSIONS.

4. PLEASE ADVISE ACTUAL ARRIVAL DATE IMMEDIATELY, SO THAT
RESERVATIONS (SINGLE ROOM WITH BATH) CAN BE CONFIRMED AT
PRESIDENTIAL HOTEL, 900 19TH STREET, N.W., FOR \$13.00 PLUS
TAX PER DAY. THESE ACCOMMODATIONS ARE MODEST BUT THE

ALTERNATIVES WILL COST \$18.00 PER DAY OR MORE. PER DIEM
WILL NOT BE ADEQUATE TO FULL COVER EXPENSES FOR THOSE
PLANNING PERSONAL PURCHASES (CLOTHING, GIFTS, ETC.) IN
U.S.; IN SUCH CASES EMPLOYEE SHOULD BE ADVISED TO BRING
ADDITIONAL PERSONAL FUNDS.

5. EMPLOYEES SELECTED SHOULD BE GIVEN A COMPLETE MEDICAL
EXAMINATION INCLUDING X-RAY BEFORE VISAS ARE ISSUED. POSTS
ARE REQUESTED TO PAY PARTICULAR ATTENTION TO THIS POINT AS
THE U.S. SCHEDULE IS DEMANDING. ANY CANDIDATES DISQUALIF-
IED DUE TO HEALTH PROBLEMS THIS YEAR WILL BE GIVEN PRIORITY
FOR SELECTION IN NEXT YEAR'S COURSE.

6. FISCAL DATA AND AUTHORIZATIONS WILL FOLLOW IN CABLE
FROM FSI BUDGET OFFICE. POSTS SHOULD PURCHASE ROUND TRIP
TICKET SINCE TRAVEL WAS COMPUTED ON THAT BASIS (THROUGH
PACIFIC ROUTE). TRAINEES ARE TO BE REMINDED THAT EXEMP-
TION FROM U.S. INCOME TAX LIABILITY IS GRANTED FOR A STAY
IN THE U.S. FOR 90 DAYS FOR ALIEN VISITORS HOLDING B-1
VISAS. EMPLOYEES WISHING TO SPEND ADDITIONAL TIME IN THE
U.S. IN LEAVE STATUS MUST PLAN FOR DEPARTURE WITHIN A
TOTAL OF 90 DAYS FROM DATE OF ARRIVAL OR BE SUBJECT TO TAX
OF APPROXIMATELY 30 PERCENT OF TAXABLE INCOME EARNED WHILE
HERE. (REFER TO SECTION III OF "U.S. TAX GUIDE FOR ALIENS"
OR CA-13650 OF 6/29/66 CONCERNING INCOME TAX LIABILITY OF
LOCAL EMPLOYEES IN TRAINING IN THE U.S.)

7. EMPLOYEES SHOULD BRING THEIR FULL PER DIEM ALLOTMENT
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WITH THEM, PREFERABLY IN TRAVELERS CHECKS. IF CURRENCY
RESTRICTIONS APPLY WHICH DO NOT PERMIT POST TO ISSUE FULL
PER DIEM ADVANCE TO EMPLOYEE BEFORE DEPARTURE, POST SHOULD
MAIL CHECK TO FSI TO HOLD FOR THEM AND MAIL IT IN TIME TO
BE HERE WHEN EMPLOYEE ARRIVES. BUT IN ANY EVENT MAILED NOT
LATER THAN JUNE 2. EMPLOYEES SHOULD NOT EXPECT TO BE ABLE
TO CASH PERSONAL OR THIRD PARTY CHECKS WHILE IN THE U.S.,
EXCEPT AT BANKS WHERE THEY HAVE ACCOUNT.

8. AS SOON AS EMPLOYEE'S RESERVATIONS ARE CONFIRMED, POSTS
ARE REQUESTED TO SUBMIT BY TELEGRAM THE FOLLOWING: A) DATE
AND TIME OF DEPARTURE FROM POST; B) AIRLINE NAME, FLIGHT
NUMBER, ESTIMATED DATE AND TIME OF ARRIVAL AT U.S. PORT OF

ENTRY; C) AIRLINE NAME, FLIGHT NUMBER, ETA WASHINGTON, D.C.; D) EXACT COST AND COVERAGE OF AIRLINE TICKETS ISSUED; E) AMOUNT OF PER DIEM ADVANCED, IF CURRENCY RESTRICTIONS IN COUNTRY MAKE IT NECESSARY TO MAIL GOVERNMENT CHECK TO BE HELD FOR EMPLOYEE, ADVISE BY CABLE MAILING DATE AND POUCH REGISTRY NUMBER OF AIR POUCH IN WHICH MAILED. ADDRESS ENVELOPE C/O JOHN T. SPROTT, FSI.

9. NOMINEES WHO WERE NOT CHOSEN FOR THIS YEARS PROGRAM WILL BE CONSIDERED FOR NEXT EA OFFERING IN APPROXIMATELY ONE YEAR.

10. TRAVELERS SHOULD COME PREPARED FOR SUMMER TEMPERATURE VARIATIONS ACROSS U.S. (RAIN COAT, SWEATERS). WHILE WASHINGTON,D.C. WILL BE WARM PARTICIPANT CAN EXPECT TO VISIT CITIES IN WHICH NORMAL DAY AND EVENING TEMPERATURES WILL BE COOL.

11. PLEASE PROVIDE SOONEST PHOTOGRAPHS AND SHORT BIOGRAPHIC SKETCH OF NOMINEE.

12. PARTICIPANTS CAN EXPECT TO BE REQUESTED; BY U.S. BUSINESS GROUPS AND INDIVIDUALS, TO GIVE SHORT BRIEFINGS ON THEIR RESPECTIVE COUNTRY ECONOMIES, THEREFORE, POSTS SHOULD ENSURE THAT PARTICIPANTS ARE FAMILIAR WITH RELEVANT DATA, MATERIALS, AND OTHER INFORMATION. KISSINGER

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